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Tentative Agenda Board of Managers' Meeting Chevy Chase Village Hall Monday, June 12, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes Treasurer's Report Committee Reports Appeals

26 Oxford Street
5610 Cedar Parkway
Old Business
New Business
Chairman's Report
Manager's Report
Police Report
Building Permits/Code Enforcement

Mark Your Calendar and See the Enclosed Flyers

Spring Concert: Friday, June 2

Double-sided flyer:

Movie Night: Friday, June 16

Parents' Night Out: Saturday, June 17 Parade to the Park: Tuesday, July 4

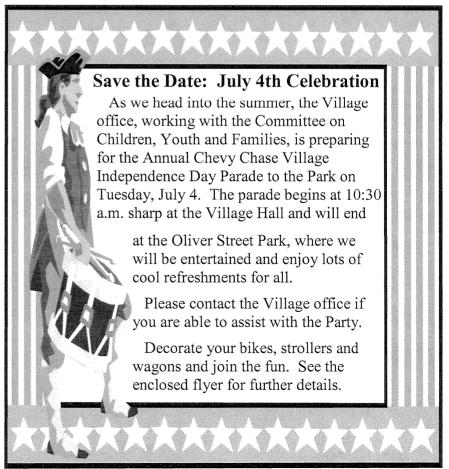
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Public Hearing Notice

At its June 12, 2006 meeting, the Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers will discuss installation of security cameras within the Buffer Park adjoining the Chevy Chase Center.

Village Police Chief Roy Gordon has been working with the Commission on Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA) and other law enforcement agencies to develop a policy governing use of the security cameras. Residents can review the latest draft of the proposed governing policy on the Chevy Chase Village website at www.ccvillage.org.

Please submit questions, comments and/or concerns to the Village office at ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov prior to the meeting, and plan to attend at the meeting on June 12 to participate in the discussion. The meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.



In The Village

Emergency Preparedness

June 1 marked the start of the 2006 hurricane season. The National Weather Service has issued a forecast that calls for between 13 and 19 named storms with an above average probability that the east coast of the United States will be struck. Last year, Florida and the Gulf Coast took the brunt of the impact of the record 28 named storms.

The Village is no stranger to significant weather events. In the past 25 years, and aside from tropical storm Isabel two years ago, Village residents have endured at least three 24-inch snowstorms ('78, '96, '03), tornado-like damage from a freak "downburst" in '89 that toppled trees throughout the Village crushing cars, slicing through roofs and clogging our neighborhood streets for days, and in 2004, the July 27 thunderstorm put 5 inches of rain into the storm and sewer systems in less than two hours flooding basements across, not just the Village, but the entire region.

Coping with these types of events is manageable. The nightly news broadcasts routinely show us flood, storm and snow damage from across the region and around the world. We are exposed to those situations and our experience makes us better able to deal when it is our turn. However, when the situation is new, it is a different story. Since 9-11, the American population has become uncomfortably aware of a whole host of potentially devastating event scenarios. And unlike the weather events where we know how to "pick up the pieces," these new types of events are unfamiliar and we must develop new plans to endure them drawing, where practical, on our experience. Added to these man-made possibilities is the avian/bird flu potential with an entirely different range of impacts.

9-11 and Hurricane *Katrina* were wake-up calls revealing the importance and good sense in having a plan in place to deal with both natural and man-made emergencies. The Village is working with Montgomery County on coordinating our municipal resources with theirs and the Village office would like to work with our own residents to coordinate resident resources within the neighborhoods. There are many extremely capable residents throughout the Village whose special talents, skills and resources can be brought to bear very effectively and Chevy Chase Village is taking the approach that this proactive coordination of self-help

community networks makes a lot of sense.

Shortly you will receive a package in the mail with information on individual emergency planning and preparedness. The package will also include a questionnaire about you and your household that will help the Village office identify Village residents with special training, education, skills or resources that, we would hope, could be drawn upon in times of need to help other Village residents. Please look for this package and spend the few minutes it will take to complete the questionnaire and return it to the Village. The questionnaire will also be available online at www.ccvillage.org.

Village Listserve

Several residents have requested a forum in which residents and staff can transmit information via email. Heeding these requests, and in order to create a direct way for the Village staff and Board to disseminate im-



portant information directly to residents personal computers, the Village staff is proud to introduce the Chevy Chase Village Listserve at Yahoo!® Groups.

To subscribe, go to www.groups.yahooo.com and click on Sign Up!, which will direct you to the Registration page. Follow the instructions to enroll. IMPORTANT: If you do not already have a Yahoo!® email address and/or if you do not wish to obtain a Yahoo!® email address, you must uncheck the "Create my free Yahoo!® email address" checkbox on the Registration page.

The listserve will be closely monitored. Any users considered to be offensive or inapropriate will be blocked from the listserve.

It is hoped that the listserve will serve as a forum for residents to converse regarding contractor recommendations, tickets or items for sale, upcoming yard or bake sales and any other topic residents wish to discuss. All residents are strongly encouraged to enroll in this new service. If you have any questions or require assistance enrolling, please email Shana Davis-Cook in the Village office at: shana.davis-cook@montgomerycountymd.gov.

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In The Village

Rent the Village Hall For Your Next Event

The Village Hall is the perfect setting for your next meeting or party and is available to all Village residents. Our two large rooms are available for:



- birthday parties,
- sweet 16 parties,
- weddings and wedding receptions,
- anniversary parties,
- graduation parties,
- bar and bat mitzvah receptions,
- business/organization meetings, and
- any event you can think of! There is even a small room to hold smaller children's birthday parties for a reduced rate.

The rates for rental of the two larger rooms are reduced for children's (ages 12 and under) parties. The Village Hall is sure to enhance your event. Please contact Doris Lyerly in the Village office for additional information and to reserve your date.

New Law Affecting Tree Contractors

A bill passed by the Maryland General Assembly, effective October 1, 2005, requires all tree experts to be licensed through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to **prune** and **remove** trees within the State. This law applies within the Village and is already being enforced.

The Village's Tree Removal Permit Application will now <u>require</u> the tree contractor's name, phone number and DNR license number. Permits will not be issued if the contractor has not been selected.

Village officers will also be verifying licensing for any crews seen pruning trees on private property. Any crews witnessed pruning without valid licensing will receive a State citation and fine, and will be escorted out of the Village.

For more information regarding this new regulation or to verify licensing for a desired tree contractor, please visit the DNR website at www.dnr.state.md.us or call them at (877) 620-8DNR. For questions regarding the law's application within the Village, please contact the Village office.



Building Facilities Commission

The Building Facilities Commission meets the second Monday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Village Hall. Their next meeting will be held on Monday, June 12. All residents are invited to attend.

Committee on Children, Youth and Families

The Committee will hold a Movie Night **and** a Parents' Night Out during the month of June. See the enclosed <u>double-sided</u> flyer for details.

The Committee organized two *Playtime at the Park* days in May. Although there was a small turnout, the Committee received positive feedback from residents that felt this activity was a great idea. The Committee would like to see *Playtime at the Park* become an established, but fluid, event much like the toddler group—come when you can.

Parents, remember the days of Kick-the-Can, Red Rover, Red Rover and pick-up baseball? Bring or send your kids to the triangle park at Oliver and Kirkside for some fun in the park on Saturday mornings between 10 and 11:30. Have them bring their baseball gloves and balls, soccer balls, frisbees, hula hoops, jump ropes, or just themselves - whatever they would like.

Where: Park at the corner of Kirkside Dr. & Oliver St. When: Saturday mornings, 10:00 - 11:30

The Committee realizes that this meeting place is more accessible for residents who live west of Connecticut. Residents on the east side of Connecticut Avenue are encouraged to provide input and assist in organizing a similar activity.

Residents can contact the Committee's Co-Chairs by email with ideas for new activities, or to volunteer for future events: Amy Cooper at acbelle@aol.com or Karen Spangler at karenspangler@comcast.net.

Rental Regulations

Montgomery County maintains full responsibility for regulating the maintenance of residential rental properties in the Village.

For additional information regarding the County's rental regulations and licensing, please contact the Department of Housing and Community Affairs Licensing Unit at (240) 777-3799.

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In The Village

Board Actions - May 8, 2006 **Board of Managers' Meeting**

Swearing in of Board Members: Douglas B. Kamerow administered the Oath of Office to Susie Eig, Robert L. Jones and Betsy Stephens.

Election of Officers: The following nominations were made and approved: Douglas B. Kamerow, Chair; David L. Winstead, Vice-Chair; Susie Eig, Secretary; Gail S. Feldman, Treasurer; Betsy Stephens, Assistant Treasurer; and Peter M. Yeo and Robert L. Jones as Board members.

Swearing in of Chair: Loretta Knight, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court of Montgomery County. Maryland, swore in Douglas B. Kamerow as Chair.

Minutes: April 3, 2006 Meeting: Approved.

Brookville Road Working Group: Dr. Kamerow, the Working Group's Chair, explained that the Group took another Walking Tour of the roadway on April 23 and concluded that a three foot wide walkway could be achieved along the east side of the roadway provided satisfactory solutions can be found to 1) relocate identified physical obstructions, and 2) shifting a portion of the existing roadway in the vivinity of East Melrose Street. The Board directed staff to meet with the engineering firm, Rummel, Klepper & Kahl (RK&K) and SHA officials to go on a walking tour to discuss the aforementioned items. The Board approved final edits to the Group's mission statement.

Appeals: A-5082, 1 Quincy Street: Replace a six (6) foot high fence with a six and one half (6 1/2) foot high vertical board fence along the property line abutting Bradley Lane—Approved. A-5088, 6301 Broad **Branch Road:** Install a gravel driveway on private property and in the public right-of-way, and install a concrete apron entrance to the curbside—Approved. Old Business: Resolution No. 05-01-06: Amended Budget Approval—Approved. Resolution No. 05-02-**06:** A resolution levying a tax on certain real and personal property under the provisions of Section 6-203 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended—Approved. **Contract Award—Janitorial Services:** The Board approved renewing a three-year contract with the Village's current janitorial service company which cleans the Village Hall and provides staff assistance at the annual Halloween and Holiday Parties.

Manager's Report: The Board directed Mr. Biddle to begin forming a Wohlfarth Property Working Group to determine future uses for the property.

Police Report: Police Chief Roy Gordon briefed the Board on progress with the installation of speed cameras along Connecticut Avenue.

The 2006 Resident Directory is available for pick-up in the Village office and Communications Center.

A Letter from the Friends of Chevy Chase Circle

Dear Chevy Chase Village Resident and Friend of Chevy Chase Circle.

Since the early 90's, The Friends of Chevy Chase Circle has worked with the National Park Service to maintain and beautify our historic landmark. Because of several destructive accidents, the Park Service in constantly repairing the damage. Last July a drunken driver drove through the Circle and demolished several park benches and knocked over one of the George Washington Bi-Centennial markers. We are fortunate that the fountain basin was not hit this time. The marker is now upright and the benches will be repaired in the near future.

Last year, The Friends of Chevy Chase Circle purchased 2000 red tulip bulbs, which the Park Service planted around the fountain. After receiving many compliments, it was decided to repeat the purchase for this year. The tulips cost around \$500. While there is still money in our treasury, we will run out if we continue to spend \$500 a year on bulbs.

We are, therefore, soliciting donations. Our goal is to create an endowment, which would yield enough money to purchase tulips every year. The Friends of Chevy Chase Circle is a non-profit organization that operates under the umbrella of the Chevy Chase Historical Society and the contributions are tax deductible.

We are happy that the Newlands fountain is providing us with a wonderful visual display as we drive around the Circle. The Park Service is doing a wonderful job preserving and maintaining our gateway. If you would like to contribute to our beautification with tulips, we would be most appreciative. Checks can be made payable to The Friends of Chevy Chase Circle and sent to 6810 Delaware Street, Chevy Chase, MD 20815.

Thank you.

Police Beat—Chevy Chase Village

To e-mail Police Chief Roy Gordon: roy.gordon@montgomerycountymd.gov

Permit Parking Enforcement

Village Police respond daily to complaints of illegal parking or unauthorized vehicles parking in the five parking zones established by the Board of Managers. Village residents who live within a parking zone must display either a Parking Permit for that Zone or a Guest Permit if they park their vehicles on the street. Vehicles parked in private driveways do not need parking permits or passes. Commercial vehicles doing work for residents within a parking zone do not need permits or passes but should put a sign on the dashboard on the driver's side indicating where they are working.

Recently, Village Officers noted several residents' vehicles parked in parking zones with expired parking permits or no permits at all. These vehicles were issued Warning Tickets as a reminder to either update the permit or park the vehicle on private property. You may park your vehicle on the street without a permit or pass outside the restricted parking hours or within the restricted parking hours. However, all vehicles parked on the street without valid permits or passes during the restricted hours are subject to a Parking Ticket just as non-residents and residents who temporarily park within the restricted zone longer than the posted time.

If a non-Village resident or resident who lives outside the parking zones parks their vehicle in one of the five parking zones for two hours, they must move their vehicle out of that particular zone, i.e. Zone 2 or Zone 3. Vehicles can not simply be moved up or down the street within the same zone and have the clock/time start anew.

The recent construction at the Chevy Chase Center and new condominium construction on Western Avenue have added to the parking problems in all five zones. The close proximity of these sites and the Friendship Heights Metro station make parking on the West side of the Village very attractive. While residents who live within the parking zones do not own the parking space in front of their home, they would like to park there occasionally and have spaces in close proximity to their home for visitors. We ask for your help in being a good neighbor.

Parking Zones are created at the request of the majority of residents on a particular street and that request is sent to the Board of Managers for acceptance or rejection. If parking becomes problematic, residents can appear before the Board to have parking restrictions modified.

2006 Smooth Operator Program

The Chevy Chase Village Police will once again participate in the "Smooth Operator" campaign, which targets aggressive drivers in Maryland, Northern Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Aggressive driving behaviors include: speeding, tailgating, unsafe lane changes, failing to yield right-of-way, and running red lights and stop signs. The campaign for 2006 will consist of three one week-long waves and one two week-long wave:

May 21 – May 27, June 18 – June 24, July 23 – July 29, August 27 – September 9.

The Smooth Operator program began in 1998 to raise driver's awareness of dangerous behaviors on the road and to reduce the number of those incidents through education and enforcement. Some simple steps to decrease a tendency toward aggressive driving are:

- Allow extra travel time,
- Maintain an adequate distance from the vehicle in front of you to ensure proper breaking distance,
- Use turn signals when turning or making lane changes,
- Obey the posted speed limit,
- Come to a full stop at red lights and stop signs.

The Chevy Chase Village Police Department reminds motorists of their responsibility to obey all traffic laws, use caution when operating a motor vehicle, and always buckle up.

New Officer Joins the Village Police



Officer Andy Taglienti joined the Chevy Chase Village Police Department in April, 2006.

Officer Taglienti's previous experience includes time with the Montgomery County Recreation Department as a Park Manager, an

assistant for Youth Leaders International and a canoe instructor for the American Red Cross. He has an associate's degree from Montgomery College, a bachelor's degree in history from Salisbury University, a secondary teacher certification from Columbia Union College and is working towards his Master's of Education from the University of Maryland University College. In 1998, Andy received a Maryland State Department of Education Certificate of Meritorious Community Service Award.

In his spare time, Andy enjoys weight lifting, cross-country, scuba diving, carpentry and speaks fluent Italian and Spanish.

We welcome Andy to the Village!

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Community News

Chevy Chase Community Library June 2006

The Chevy Chase Library is located at 8005 Connecticut Avenue. All programs

are free. For further information or for reservations, contact the library at (240) 773-9590.

Special Event—Washington National Opera: Saturday, June 17 at 11:00 a.m.: The Washington National Opera presents a free opera workshop on HANSEL AND GRETEL for elementary school age children and their families led by teaching artists. The story and music of Engelbert Humperdinck's opera will be introduced through creative music activities and hands-on crafts. Ages 6-12. Pre-registration requested.

Special Event—Piccolo's Trunk: Monday, June 19 at 7:00 p.m.: Join Mark Jaster for an incredible evening of mime. For ages 5-12. Sponsored by Friends of the Library, Montgomery County, MD. Tickets are required and must be picked up in person at the library. Free tickets available beginning June 10.

Preschool Film: Thursday, June 22 at 10:30 a.m.: AWAY WE GO—Curious George Rides a Bike; Picnic; Joey Runs Away.

Special Event—Beauty and the Beast: Monday, June 26 at 7:00 p.m.: Stevens Puppets brings this fairy tale alive with marionettes. Ages 5-12. Tickets are required and must be picked up in person at the library. Free tickets available beginning June 17.

Preschool Film: Thursday, June 29 at 10:30 a.m.: TOUCH OF MAGIC: Goldilocks and the Three Bears; Doctor De Soto; Strega Nona.

Toddler Group

The weekly Toddler Group meets on Thursdays from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon in the Village Hall. With the warm weather, the fun is often moved outside! All Village parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

The Group will recess for the months of July and August and will resume after Labor Day. Further information will be provided in the September 2006 issue of the *Crier*.

If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding the Toddlers' Group, please contact Elizabeth Bausch at (301) 656-5643.

REMINDERS

- Notify the Village office if you have a medical requirement for emergency services so we may alert utility companies working in the Village.
- Having your house number painted on the curb in front of your property is prohibited by Section 12-5 of the Village Code. Contractors painting on the Village curbs will be issued a municipal citation by the Village Police.
- Pursuant to Village Code Section 8-10, dumpster use requires a permit. Please remind your contractor that a permit must be received from the Village Office <u>prior</u> to placing a dumpster on private property. Dumpsters are prohibited on public property, including Village streets at ALL times. Dumpster switch-outs are prohibited in the Village's public right-of-way, including roadways.
- Contact the Village office prior to removing trees on private property or beginning any home improvement projects to discuss permit requirements.
- Grey recycle bin lids are available from the Communications Center. Please make sure your recycle bins are placed in an easily accessible location. If recycling haulers cannot find the bins, collection of recyclables may be hampered.
- Free "No Solicitors" stickers are available in the Village Office for residents wishing to put them in a window near the front door to their home. The sticker is in addition to the list maintained by Communications.
- Residents are encouraged to use the Community Bulletin Board, located in the Village Hall, for notices or advertisements, which must be approved by Village staff prior to posting.
- Please remind your landscaping and home improvement contractors that work is not permitted prior to 8:00 a.m. on weekdays and 9:00 a.m. on weekends.

MVA on Wheels



The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration's mobile service will not visit the Friendship Heights Village Center this month, but will return in July.

For schedule or additional information at other locations during the month of June, visit the MVA website at: www.mva.state.md.us/location/montcty.htm or by phone at 1 (800) 950-1682, ext 2.

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Public Works Department/Trash Schedule

While several Village residents have called to compliment the Unity staff for a job well done, your input is important when we evaluate our contracted services. Please report missed services to the Communications Center at (301) 654-7300. Please leave your gates unlocked so the Unity staff can enter your property to collect your refuse and recycling.

Special pickups are made on Wednesdays. Residents must submit their request either by phone or via the Village website by 2 p.m. on the preceding Tuesday to ensure pick up.

There will be no **trash** collection on Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day. Collection will slide one day so Tuesday's collection will be made on Wednesday; Wednesday's collection will be made on Thursday; Thursday's collection will be made on Friday; and Friday's collection will be made on Saturday. Monday's collection will **not** be affected.

Recycling collection for residents WEST of Connecticut Avenue will be collected on Thursday, July 6. **Recycling** collection for residents EAST of Connecticut Avenue will be collected on Friday, July 7.

Special pickups will be collected on their regularly scheduled day, Wednesday, July 5.

Chevy Chase Village 5906 Connecticut Avenue Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Building Permits Issued by the Village Manager May 2006

Appeal & Crier Deadlines

The appeal deadline for the July 10, 2006 Board of Managers meeting is close of business on Monday, June 26.

The deadline to submit articles for the July 2006 issue of the *Crier* is close of business on Monday, June 26.

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Join Your Neighbors for the July 4th Parade to the Park! See the enclosed flyer for details.

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